

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 606

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Ron Hill on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize, particularly on the occasion of their retirement, those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, one such outstanding individual is Ron Hill who, having served with distinction throughout his thirty-three year tenure as an educator, will soon begin a much deserved retirement from Blythe-Bower Elementary School, which he has admirably served as principal for the past twelve years; and

WHEREAS, in his role as principal of Blythe-Bower Elementary School, Mr. Hill has helped countless students develop their talents and academic abilities by initiating numerous activities designed to enhance their educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, Mr. Hill began his distinguished career as a social studies teacher at Cleveland Junior High School; and

WHEREAS, after serving as an exceptional teacher at Cleveland Junior High School for eighteen years, he transitioned into administration first as an assistant principal at Cleveland High School for three years, and currently as principal of Blythe-Bower Elementary School for the past twelve years; and

WHEREAS, in his role as principal he has served with acumen and alacrity, and the standardized test scores at Blythe-Bower Elementary School have consistently posted some of the highest gains in the state under his guidance; and

WHEREAS, the good people at Blythe-Bower Elementary School have recognized and appreciated Mr. Hill's good nature, sense of humor, excellence as an educator, and role model for young people since he began there; and

WHEREAS, living by his motto of first opening a child's heart and then their minds, Mr. Hill believed deeply in his mission of educating, empowering, and encouraging all students to achieve their maximum potential; and

WHEREAS, during retirement, Mr. Hill will focus his attention on his many pastoral duties with Church of God Sanctified, which he has guided and served faithfully for over twenty-eight years; and

WHEREAS, all his accomplishments aside, Mr. Hill is most grateful for the love and companionship of his wife of thirty years, Dera Hill; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Ron Hill has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues, peers, and students alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Ron Hill our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement, applaud his dedication to the students of Tennessee, and wish him every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.